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FLOOR SCHEDULE FOR WEDNESDAY, MAY 28, 2014

HOUSE MEETS AT:	FIRST VOTE PREDICTED:	LAST VOTE PREDICTED:
12:00 p.m.: Morning Hour 2:00 p.m.: Legislative Business	6:30 p.m.	7:00 p.m.
Unlimited "One Minutes"		

^{**}Following one minute speeches, the House is expected to recess until approximately 4:00 p.m. At that time, the House will reconvene and consider the ten bills listed for consideration under suspension of the Rules. Any recorded votes requested will be postponed until 6:30 p.m.

**Members are advised that following last votes, the House will begin one hour of general debate on H.R. 4660. After general debate, the House will begin reading H.R. 4660 by paragraph and considering amendments. Any Member wishing to offer an amendment should be prepared to offer it at the appropriate place in the bill and be on the Floor at the appropriate time. Any recorded votes requested on amendments will be postponed until Thursday.

Suspensions (10 bills)

- 1) <u>H.R. 4587</u> The Venezuela Human Rights and Democracy Protection Act, as amended (Rep. Ros-Lehtinen Foreign Affairs)
- 2) H.Res. 599 Urging the Government of the People's Republic of China to respect the freedom of assembly, expression, religion and all fundamental human rights for all of its citizens and to stop censoring discussion of the 1989 Tiananmen Square demonstrations and their violent suppression (Rep. Smith (NJ) Foreign Affairs)
- 3) <u>H.R. 4028</u> To amend the International Religious Freedom Act of 1998 to include the desecration of cemeteries among the many forms of violations of the right to religious freedom, as amended (Rep. Meng Foreign Affairs)
- **4)** H.R. 3366 Hermiston Reversionary Interest Release Act, as amended (Rep. Walden Natural Resources)
- 5) <u>H.R. 503</u> National Desert Storm and Desert Shield War Memorial Act (Rep. Roe Natural Resources)
- **6)** <u>S. 611</u> Sandia Pueblo Settlement Technical Amendment Act (Sen. Udall Natural Resources)
- 7) <u>H.R. 2072</u> Demanding Accountability for Veterans Act, as amended (Rep. Benishek Veterans' Affairs)
- 8) H.R. 4261 Gulf War Health Research Reform Act of 2014 (Rep. Coffman Veterans' Affairs)
- 9) H.R. 2527 To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide veterans with counseling and treatment for sexual trauma that occurred during inactive duty training (Rep. Titus Veterans' Affairs)
- **10)** <u>H.R. 2942</u> To amend title 38, United States Code, to reestablish the Professional Certification and Licensure Advisory Committee of the Department of Veterans Affairs (Rep. Kirkpatrick Veterans' Affairs)

Begin Consideration of H.R. 4660 – Commerce, **Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2015 (Rep. Wolf – Appropriations) (One Hour of Debate).** H.R. 4660 provides approximately \$51.2 billion in discretionary budget authority for FY 2015, \$398 million less than was provided in FY 2014. The bill increases funding for the National Science Foundation (funded at \$7.4 billion, \$232.3 million above FY 2014), the National Institutes of Standards and Technology (funded at \$856 million, \$6 million above FY 2014), and NASA (funded at \$17.9 billion, \$249.5 million above FY 2014). The bill continues gun-related riders from past bills, and includes new provisions that limit the government's ability to require reporting of certain gun sales, including multiple-unit rifle and shotgun purchases.

The bill cuts funding for grants to state and local law enforcement agencies by \$81.6 million, while these governments continue to experience budget problems, and provides increases for most federal law enforcement agencies. In addition, H.R. 4660 provides \$96 million for the Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) program, a cut of \$117.5 million below FY 2014.

Republicans are developing this year's spending bills based on the \$1.014 trillion discretionary spending cap and the 302(a) discretionary allocations agreed to in the Bipartisan Budget Agreement. By setting the Appropriations Committee's allocation in-line with the Bipartisan Budget Agreement, House Republicans were able to begin the appropriations process early. House



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Republicans should use this extra time to ensure that all twelve appropriations bills are enacted before the start of the 2015 fiscal year.

The Rule, which was adopted last week, provides for one hour of general debate and does not require that amendments be pre-printed in the Congressional Record prior to their consideration.

Bill Text for H.R. 4660:

PDF Version

Background for H.R. 4660:

House Report (HTML Version)

TOMORROW'S OUTLOOK

The GOP Leadership has announced the following schedule for Thursday, May 29: The House will meet at 12:00 p.m. for legislative business. The House is expected to continue consideration of H.R. 4660 – Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2015 (Rep. Wolf – Appropriations).

The Daily Quote

"Republican Sen. Jeff Flake of Arizona, who also helped craft last year's Senate immigration bill... acknowledged the mistrust that House Republicans say is preventing them from mobilizing now. 'My point has always been, 95 percent of this will be enacted by a future president anyway if we don't do anything,' he told National Journal. 'I don't think it's a reasonable excuse not to move ahead..."

- National Journal, 5/22/2014